

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED
OFFICE
(DO/EO/US) CONCERNING FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

Attorney Docket No.: 128.1260USN

Int'l. Application No.: PCT/SE2005/001366
Int'l. Filing Date: 20 SEPTEMBER 2005
Priority Date Claimed: 30 DECEMBER 2004
Title of Invention: A METHOD FOR OXYGEN DELIGNIFICATION
OF CELLULOSE PULP AT HIGH PRESSURE
IN SEVERAL STEPS
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States
Designated/Elected/Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and
other information:

1. ☒ This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing
under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items
concerning a filing under 37 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination
procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than
delay examination until the expiration of the applicable
time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22
and 39(1).
4. ☒ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination
was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed
priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed
(35 U.S.C. 371(c) (2))
 - a. ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not
transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the
United States Receiving Office(RO/US).
6. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application
under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c) (3))
 - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not
transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for
making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
7. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor
(35 U.S.C. 371(c) (4)).
8. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97

and 1.98.

9. [] An assignment document for recording. A cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
10. [X] A FIRST preliminary amendment.
11. [] Applicant qualifies for Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)).
12. [] Other items or information: (if any)
13. [X] Basic National Filing Fee **\$300**
 National Stage Examination Fee
 U.S. was ISA or IPEA and, all claims
 Satisfy PCT Article 33(1)-(4) **\$0**
 All other situations **\$200**
 National Stage Search Fee
 U.S. was ISA or IPEA and all claims
 Satisfy PCT Article 33(1)-(4) **\$0**
 U.S. was the ISA **\$100**
 Search Report prepared and provided
 to USPTO **\$400**
 All other situations **\$500**

| CLAIMS AS FILED | | | | |
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| For | Number Filed | Number Extra | Fees \$1000.00 | |
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| Total Claims | 8 - 20 | = 0 | x \$50.00 | = \$0.00 |
| Ind. Claims | 1 - 3 | = 0 | x \$200.00 | = \$0.00 |

14. [] Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Applicant qualifies as small entity.
 TOTAL FILING FEE: **\$**
15. [] Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 C.F.R. 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). per property. **\$40.00**
16. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the filing fee of **\$1000.00** to Deposit Account No. 06-0243.
17. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0243.

Respectfully submitted,

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